



# Saxon Wood School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are all well and still keeping safe.

Some of our children are continuing to enjoy being back at Saxon Wood. As mentioned previously, they truly are a credit to you.

Our amazing staff have been doing a fantastic job too, despite having to make many changes to keep our school as safe as possible, during these difficult times.

## **Reports**

School reports are being written and are well underway. These will be issued to parents on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July.

## **Uniform**

If you would like to order some new uniform for your child for September, please let the office know. There are limited stocks due to the current situation, and an order may not be available in time for the start of the new term. Please find attached the uniform order list.

## **Car Park**

In order to keep our children safe, we ask that parents use the inside lane (next to the parked cars) to bring their child into school. This will enable buses to use the other two lanes. We still ask that all parents remain in their vehicles with their child until a member of staff comes out to collect them.

## **Staffing**

While we are doing our best to keep the school running as smoothly as possible in these times, I would ask you to bear in mind that we are currently without 12 of our normal staff in school. As a last resort, if we find that we are short staffed within bubbles, and to minimise the risk of cross contamination, we will have no choice but to disband bubbles and ask that the children of those stay at home, until the bubble has enough staff. We do hope that it will not come to this.

### **Sun cream**

As mentioned in last week's letter, a reminder about sun cream.

If your child would normally wear sun cream, can I ask if you could put this on them before they leave for school. Also, if you wish to provide your child with a sun hat, please do so, with their name inside. We are trying to make use of our lovely outdoor areas, to prevent children being in their enclosed Bubble all day.

### **Weekly catch up calls**

Weekly calls will continue to parents who do not have children at school and for those who indicated they would still like a quick catch up call on Fridays

### **Inset day**

School will be closed on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July for an inset day. This day will be used as a training day for staff.

### **Diary Dates**

Please find attached the diary dates for the next academic year. The inset days for next year are as follows:

- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2020
- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2020
- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021
- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2021

### **Thank you**

Another huge thank you to everyone in our school community for enabling us to keep school running as smoothly as possible.

Children and staff have been extremely adaptable to working in their 'Bubbles'.

Parents have been very patient and flexible, working with us during these strange times.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the governors, who may not be seen during the school day at present, but are working behind the scenes, with the school's best interests at heart

If you do have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school office at **adminoffice@saxonwood.hants.sch.uk**

Enjoy the sunshine. Take care, keep safe and have a lovely weekend.

With Kindest regards

Jakki Alexander (Headteacher)